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Dear Chairman and Committee Members,

My name is Regina Knapp. I am asking for your support for SCR 4006, a resolution to establish federal protections for the wild horse herd at Theodore Roosevelt National Park (TRNP). As a United States citizen, wife, mom, and grandma, I'm speaking out on behalf of the wild horses in the TRNP. I've always admired the vast beauty of the Western States, the national parks, and the wild horses. It is important to me as a wilderness and horse lover to protect the historic wild horses that call TRNP home. The TRNP wild horses are not protected under the Wild Free-Roaming Horses and Burros Act of 1971. Tragically, the TRNP management has taken repeated actions towards eliminating the wild horses within the park. Further, the TRNP management has not been transparent with the public regarding the wild horses.

Your support for this resolution is essential to ensure a viable wild horse herd remains in the park. I believe President Theodore Roosevelt would want the wild horses to have a designated place to roam free. The TRNP, with over 600,000 visitors each year, is the ideal location to support the wild horses.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely, Regina Knapp